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SUBJECT: REVISED ESTIMATE OF 1973 US-PRC TRADE

1. DEPARTMENT NOW ESTIMATING 1973 TRADE STATISTICS WILL
SHOW ACTUAL SHIPMENTS IN US-PRC 2-WAY TRADE IN THE
\$850-900 MILLION DOLLAR RANGE.

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2. ASSUMING MUCH OF THE COTTON AND SOYBEANS ON ORDER WILL BE SHIPPED TO THE PRC IN CALENDAR 1974 RATHER THAN '73, OUR TENTATIVE ESTIMATE IS THE C.I.F. VALUE OF US AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO THE PRC WILL BE \$650-675 MILLION, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 810,000 BALES OF COTTON, 4.4 MILLION TONS OF WHEAT AND CORN, 200-250 THOUSAND TONS OF SOYBEANS. ADDITIONAL US EXPORTS OF \$125-150 MILLION IN AIRCRAFT, ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT, CHEMICALS, FERTILIZERS, ARTIFICIAL FIBERS, ETC. MAY BE EXPECTED. TOTAL US EXPORTS THUS LIKELY TO BE IN THE \$775-800 MILLION RANGE.

3. WE CONTINUE TO ESTIMATE ABOUT \$60 MILLION IN US IMPORTS FROM PRC. TRADE BALANCE THUS LIKELY TO BE AROUND 13 TO 1 IN FAVOR OF THE US. RUSH

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